Inspect for Enforcement

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The Enforcement Case Begins

....when the facility is targeted

What happens as a result of your inspection?

The quality of the inspection will influence the enforcement response decision

It will never go to trial.....

- Enforcement documents
- Settlement negotiations
- Pre-trial discovery

"Inspect for Enforcement" means:

- Document the Facts
- Be a good witness
- Don't create issues

Document the facts.

- Checklists
- Photographs
- Statements by facility personnel
- Time, date, order
- Inspection report

Be a good witness.

 Testimony comes in many forms-signing of inspection report, certifications, statements, depositions, trials

Some common situations

- Mild intimidation
- Multiple choice questions
- Suggested answers
- Volunteering
- Guessing/Speculation
- Is it possible?

New developments in evidence rules

Expert testimony

Discovery of electronically stored information

Electronic Discovery

 FRE 37(f) Absent "exceptional circumstances" the court may not impose sanctions for failing to provide ESI lost as a result of ROUTNE GOOD FAITH OPERATION of an electronic information system

Don't create issues.

- Delay in formalizing inspection report
- Careless email
- Unguarded conversations
- Writing errors
- Disregard of agency document retention rules
- "Lone Ranger"